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Maple Grove man pleads guilty to growing marijuana in his home

A 27-year-old Maple Grove man has pleaded guilty to growing more than 400 marijuana plants in his home last spring. Appearing before United States District Court Judge David Doty in Minneapolis earlier today, Don Bui pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to manufacture 100 or more marijuana plants. Bui was indicted on September 16, 2009.

In the plea agreement, Bui admitted growing marijuana at his residence from as early as March 2009 through April 8, 2009. During an executed search warrant at his residence on April 8, police found 122 live marijuana plants, 300 drying marijuana plants and more than 800 marijuana root balls.

Bui faces a potential maximum penalty of 40 years in prison for his crime. Judge Doty will determine his sentence at a future date. This case is the result of investigations by the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office and the West Metro Drug Task Force. It is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney LeeAnn K. Bell.